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Specimen Type	Collection Time	Collection Frequency	Collection Procedures	Transport Media	Shipping & Handling (S&H)**
Bacterial isolate	NA	NA	NA	Anaerobic transport media	• Transport device: Screw-cap tube or agar plate (seal with parafilm, if available).
					Rejection Criteria:
					Mixed culture.
					 Non-viable specimen.
					 Broken transport device.
					 Leaking specimen.
					Transport: Ship at ambient temperature.
					Ship as Category B.
					Storage: Store at ambient temperature.



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General Rejection Criteria (for additional details, see S&H)

Failure to follow specific S&H requirements.

NOTE:

Specimens will not be processed until ALL of the following information are provided on requisition form:

- Patient name, patient's county of residence, and second identifier.
- Two matching identifiers on both the tube and the laboratory requisition form.
- Specimen type, date of collection, and test requested.
- Submitter name, address, and telephone/FAX numbers.
- Reason for testing at WAPHL.

Collection kit availability

Not available

Comments